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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

74. (previously presented) A system for transshipping containerized cargo, comprising:
a transshipping platform;
a plurality of cranes on the transshipping platform for transferring goods between an ocean-going vessel and a barge or other shallower-draft feeder vessel using the cranes on the transshipping platform, the cranes including a gantry crane with trolleys and hatch storage, and rotating, luffing boom cranes mounted on separate gantry frames with hatch storage;

bi-directional draw bar multi-trailers for receiving containers from the cranes and delivering containers to the cranes;

yard tractors with automatic hitches for moving the trailers; and
container scanning equipment.

75. (previously presented) The system of claim 74, further comprising trolley gantry cranes with one or two “boom” cranes attached and hatch storage.

76. (canceled).

77. (previously presented) The system of claim 74, further comprising an MPC island.

78. (previously presented) The system of claim 74, further comprising a platform extension.

79. (previously presented) The system of claim 74, further comprising platform extensions.

80. (previously presented) A method of transporting goods, comprising:
providing the system of claim 74;

transferring goods between an ocean-going vessel and barges or other shallower-draft feeder vessels using the cranes to unload the ocean-going vessel by transferring its containers to the trailers and then to the barges or other shallower-draft feeder vessels, and vice versa.

81. (previously presented) The method of claim 80, further comprising using the yard tractors with automatic hitches to move the trailers.

82. (New) A system for transshipping containerized cargo, comprising:

a transshipping platform;

a plurality of cranes on the transshipping platform for transferring goods between an ocean-going vessel and a barge or other shallower-draft feeder vessel using the cranes on the transshipping platform, the cranes including a gantry crane with trolleys and hatch storage, and rotating, luffing boom cranes mounted on separate gantry frames with hatch storage;

bi-directional draw bar multi-trailers for receiving containers from the cranes and delivering containers to the cranes; and

yard tractors with automatic hitches for moving the trailers.

83. (New) The system of claim 82, further comprising trolley gantry cranes with one or two “boom” cranes attached and hatch storage.

84. (New) The system of claim 82, further comprising an MPC island.

85. (New) The system of claim 82, further comprising a platform extension.

86. (New) The system of claim 82, further comprising platform extensions.

87. (New) A method of transporting goods, comprising:

providing the system of claim 82;

transferring goods between an ocean-going vessel and barges or other shallower-draft feeder vessels using the cranes to unload the ocean-going vessel by transferring its containers to the trailers and then to the barges or other shallower-draft feeder vessels, and vice versa.

88. (New) The method of claim 87, further comprising using the yard tractors with automatic hitches to move the trailers.